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Prior to examination of this application, please amend this specification and claims as follows:

In The Specification

At page 2, lines 2-5, delete the existing paragraph and insert the following:

This present application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/079,030 filed on May 14, 1998, which claims priority to a continuation-in-part of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/874,807 Entitled "Lipoproteins As Nucleic Acid Vectors" filed on June 13, 1997 now abandoned. The entire text of the above-referenced disclosured is specifically incorporated by reference herein without disclaimer.